It is suggested also that the amendment is not entirely relevant to clause 5(1a) of the bill. That clause relates to the making of regulations respecting imported drugs.

The amendment, it is suggested, seeks to give the Governor in Council authority to make regulations in respect of the manufacture of drugs. If this provision relates to the manufacture of drugs in Canada the amendment is not relevant to clause 5(1a).

Paragraph (7) of May's Seventeenth Edition states: "If an amendment would make the clause which it is proposed to amend unintelligible or ungrammatical, or if it is incoherent and inconsistent with the context of the bill, it is out of order."

The same author states, as may be found on page 549: "An amendment is out of order if it is irrelevant to the subject-matter, or beyond the scope of the bill, or if it is irrelevant to the subject-matter or beyond the scope of the clause under consideration."

Reference may also be made to page 567 where the same author states: "The rules of order respecting the admissibility of amendments in committee . . . are generally applicable to amendments moved on consideration."

This is the stage at which we are engaged at present. I must therefore rule that the amendment cannot be accepted.

Mr. Saltsman for Mrs. MacInnis, seconded by Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre), moved,—That Bill C-102, An Act to amend the Patent Act, the Trade Marks Act and the Food and Drugs Act, be amended by inserting immediately after Clause 5(b) the following new sub-paragraph:

"(c) the permitting of hospital pharmacies, under the direction of a licensed pharmacist, to provide narcotics and control drugs on prescription under the Food and Drug Act and The Narcotics Control Act,".

And debate arising thereon;

RULING BY MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr. Deputy Speaker: I might make some comment about this amendment. It appears to be irregular on much the same grounds as the previous amendment.

It is inconsistent in form and meaning with subclause 5 (1a) which it purports to amend.

Furthermore, it is suggested that it too goes beyond the bill now before the House since it also purports to amend "The Narcotics Control Act". It would seem that one of its effects would be to modify or regulate a provision or provisions in the latter Act and, if it were adopted, it is suggested that the title of the bill now before the House should be amended to indicate that the bill also amends the Narcotics Control Act. For these reasons the amendment cannot be put from the chair.

Mr. Saltsman, seconded by Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre), moved, —That Bill C-102, An Act to amend the Patent Act, the Trade Marks Act and the Food and Drugs Act, be amended by inserting immediately after Clause 5(b) the following new sub-paragraph:

"(c) the establishment of a Crown Corporation on behalf of Her Majesty which shall be empowered to manufacture, sell, distribute and promote drugs offered for sale in Canada,"

And debate arising thereon;